GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

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Bharat Mala Project
Senguttuvan Shri Balasubramaniam

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has launched the Bharat Mala Project, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is considering any proposal to construct about 50000 KM of additional National Highways bringing the total length of Highway network to 1.5 lakh KMs under the Bharat Mala Project executing the same under PPP mode or otherwise, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has achieved its goal of constructing 30 KM stretch of highway per day, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government proposes to avail soft loans from multilateral funding agencies to cover the construction cost of the Bharat Mala Project, if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI PON. RADHAKRISHNAN)

(a) to (d) Bharatmala Pariyojna, inter-alia, comprises development of Corridors, Border roads, Coastal and Port Connectivity roads etc. The highways are envisaged to be constructed under PPP pattern like Build-Operate-Transfer (Toll) [BOT (Toll)] and Hybrid Annuity Mode (HAM) as well as under Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) mode. Further, total length of National Highways constructed during Financial Year 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 is given below:-

Financial Year	Total length of national highways constructed (in KMs)
2015-2016	6061
2016-2017 (Upto February, 2017)	6611

The Government has also approved a project for upgradation of NH-51 and NH-54 in the states of Meghalaya and Mizoram with soft loan from Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA).
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